

ently this species has become naturalized also in Humboldt County along the road between Fortuna and Fernbridge (Kildale 2250, Dudley Herbarium). Seemingly very rarely naturalized in western North America.

CHRYSANTHEMUM PARTHENIUM (L.) Bernh. is sparingly established north of Spanish Creek, near Quincy, well away from human habitations. Additional locations were found in the University of California Herbarium: Diablo Canyon, San Luis Obispo County; north side of Mt. Shasta; Alta Loma Ranch, Howell Mountain, Napa County. It is often quite impossible to judge from herbarium labels whether such plants, frequently cultivated, have really become naturalized at a given locality.

MYOSOTIS VERSICOLOR (Pers.) Smith has become established in the meadow of American Valley but only one colony of this species was observed. This *Myosotis* is apparently quite thoroughly naturalized in northern Oregon west of the Cascades as well as in the eastern United States and it should be expected in California. It has been collected at Eureka (Tracy 827, University of California Herbarium, fide Bracelin).

RANUNCULUS REPENS L. we found well established in the meadow at Quincy and are not aware that it has been previously reported from the Sierra Nevada.

We also collected the following well-established European introductions at Quincy:

<i>Dactylis glomerata</i> L.	<i>Myosotis scorpioides</i> L.
<i>Polygonum persicaria</i> L.	<i>Nepeta cataria</i> L.
<i>Polygonum convolvulus</i> L.	<i>Taraxacum vulgare</i> L.
<i>Sisymbrium altissimum</i> L.	<i>Chrysanthemum leucanthemum</i> L.
<i>Sisymbrium sophia</i> L.	<i>Anthemis cotula</i> L.
<i>Lepidium perfoliatum</i> L.	<i>Centaurea cyanus</i> L.
<i>Trifolium pratense</i> L.	<i>Cirsium arvense</i> Scop.
<i>Trifolium hybridum</i> L.	<i>Cirsium lanceolatum</i> (L.) Scop.
<i>Trifolium repens</i> L.	(observed only).

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NOTES AND NEWS

Reprints have been received of "A Study of the Genus *Podaxis*" by Elizabeth Eaton Morse. This interesting and previously little known fungus has been the subject of an extended study carried on at the University of California. The most ample collections were obtained from the Colorado Desert. Twelve excellent plates accompany the text. (*Mycologia* 25:1-33, pls. 1-12.—1933).

¹ Hall 9385, not collected by us.

The first of the series of local meetings planned by the California Botanical Society was held in Davis and Sacramento April 1-2, 1933. The party met at Davis at 12:30 p. m. April 1, and in the afternoon viewed some of the projects in applied botany now being carried on at the University of California farm. This was followed by a session at the Horticultural Building of the University of California at Davis where papers relating to the agricultural and horticultural aspects of botanical science were presented. At 6:30 p. m. the party met at the Gold Rush Restaurant at Sacramento. Dinner was followed by a lecture, "The Nutritive Value of Native Plants in Relation to the Live-stock Industry", by Prof. G. H. Hart of the College of Agriculture. Fifty-seven members and guests were present at the banquet. On the following morning under the tutelage of Mr. Ashley Braun the State Capitol Grounds were visited and proved especially interesting botanically. The Society has reason to be gratified with the success of this first attempt to enlist in its activities students and lovers of plants in other parts of the state. Thanks are due to Dr. W. L. Howard, Dr. G. H. Hart, Mr. Ashley Braun, Dr. H. A. Borthwick, Dr. H. F. Copeland and others who successfully executed plans for the Sacramento-Davis meeting.

On April 12, 1933, the California Botanical Society makes note of the twentieth anniversary of its founding. The first meeting was held in the Oakland Public Museum at 4:00 p. m. on April 12, 1913. With Dr. W. F. Bade in the chair a temporary organization was effected. On April 26 of the same year the Society was regularly organized with Dr. W. L. Jepson as first president. This twentieth anniversary year finds the names of 15 charter members on its membership roll: Dr. W. F. Bade, Mrs. Viola Baird, Mr. F. F. Barbour, Mr. Anson S. Blake, Mrs. Anson S. Blake, Mr. W. W. Carruth, Mrs. Edwin R. Dimond, Prof. W. T. Horne, Dr. W. L. Jepson, Mr. Duncan McDuffie, Miss Amy Rinehart, Dr. W. A. Setchell, Mr. J. B. Smith, Mrs. I. R. Smith, Miss Olive Thacher. During the year 1932 the Society lost two charter members by death: Dr. Harvey M. Hall and Miss Anna Head. For the support of these and all other loyal members the Society is deeply appreciative.

The first report of the Rancho Santa Ana Botanical Garden at Anaheim, issued in 1931, contains a brief history of the founding by Mrs. Susannah Bixby Bryant, a list of the garden plantings with the horticultural practice by B. D. Stark, the nurseryman, and a list of plants indigenous to the ranch by Dr. C. B. Wolf, curator of the herbarium. The Garden site contains about 200 acres. The headquarters building is now completed and houses the herbarium and library.

Dr. F. H. Billings contributes a paper on "Microsporogenesis in *Phoradendron*" to the *Annals of Botany* for October, 1932. These careful studies were based on material of California species. The author is Professor of Botany in the University of Redlands.